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Applicant(s): Terence LEONG et al.

Invention: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR MAINTAINING A DATABASE OF DATA  
OBJECTS

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment and Response is filed responsive to the Non-Final Office Action (Paper No. 20040922) mailed September 27, 2004. In view of the comments set forth below, the Applicants contend that all of the pending claims are patentable and in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 18 of this paper.